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1. IN RESPONSE TO REF A, BEST ESTIMATE OF HOW HC WILL WANT TO
USE FY78 FMS CREDIT FOLLOWS:
A. GASOLINE-TO-DIESEL CONVERSION/MODERNIZATION OF 7 M24 TANKS
AT \$80,000 EACH. \$560,000
B. GASOLINE-TO-DIESEL CONVERSION OF 15 M113 APC AT \$20,000
EACH. 300,000
C. GASOLINE-TO-DIESEL CONVERSION OF 20 M35 2 1/2 TON TRUCKS AT
\$7,100 EACH. 142,000
D. REPLACEMENT OF DIESEL ENGINES (PEDRO CAMPBELL, EX-USS
CHICKADEE) 400,000
E. REPLACEMENT OF SHIP'S DETENTION AND FIRE CONTROL EQUIPMENT.
688,000
F. AIRCRAFT SPARE PARTS 500,000
TOTAL \$2,490,000

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2. BEST ESTIMATE OF FY78 FMS CASH PURCHASES WILL BE TRI-SERVICE AMMUNITION BUYS OF .30 CAL, 7.62MM, 81MM AND 4.2 IN. MORTAR, 3.5 IN. ROCKET LAUNCHER, 105MM HOWITZER, 3 IN. NAVAL GUNS, 40MM, AND 2.75 IN., TOTALING \$1 MILLION DOLLARS.

3. ESTIMATED FMS CREDIT UTILIZATION REPRESENTS A DEVIATION FROM STANDARD POLICY OF LIMITING USE OF FMS CREDITS TO FINANCE PURCHASE OF MAJOR END ITEMS (REF B). HOWEVER, REF B RECOGNIZED THAT SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES IN PARTICULAR COUNTRIES MIGHT WARRANT EXCEPTIONS. AMBASSADOR'S REPLY (REF C) STATED THAT IN THE CASE OF URUGUAY SUCH AN EXCEPTION IS FULLY JUSTIFIED. AMBASSADOR'S RECOMMENDATION REMAINS THE SAME. FOR REASONS GIVEN IN REF C, FMS CREDIT SHOULD BE GIVEN FOR PURCHASE OF SPARE PARTS AND FOR OVERHAULS.
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